if timely action is not taken by the Centre, Bangalore will become another Calcutta of 1970 and the industies will start going away from Karnataka. Karnataka has never faced such a crisis in the past. The Karnataka Government has almost given up the idea of taking any action. It has no will power to solve the problem. The joke in Karnataka is: "When will the power be there?" The cities and towns are almost in darkness. The industrialists are crying and the State/Government is just watching. The small-scale industries are almost closing down and have no capacity to go in for captive power. People are at a loss to understand why all of a sudden this crisis has arisen. On earlier occasions also, there used to be a failure of monsoon, but such a situation has never arisen in Karnataka. Last year, during the same season, there was no power cut or no power shortage. The Government of India cannot be a silent spectator to the situation. The Central Government should come to the rescue of the people of Karnataka by allotting additional power from the Central Grid to meet the crisis and save Karnataka. Bangalore has been considered as a Silicon Valley of Asia and poised to become the world capital in electronics. The State Government does not seem to be keen to face the situation. I appeal to the Government of India to take urgent steps to provide 500 mega watts of additinal power to Karnataka immediately. I also urge upon the Government of India to clear all the pending power projects in Karnataka and expedite the work. Thank you.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SATISH AGARWAL): Shri B.K. Hariprasad. Do you want to associate yourself with it?

SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD (Karnataka): Yes, Sir, I am also associating myself with this.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SATISH AGARWAL): Your association is on record.

Unprecedented Power Crisis in Madhya Pradesh

उपसभाध्यक्ष (श्री सतीश अग्रवाल) श्री राघवजी, जल्दी खत्म करिए। बहुत टाइम हो गया है।

श्री राघवजी (मध्य प्रदेश): उपसभाध्यक्ष महोदय, मध्य प्रदेश में पिछले एक महीने से अभूतपूर्व बिजली संकट है। कारखाने लगभग बंद पड़े हैं। 25 प्रतिशत यूनिटों में उत्पादन नहीं हो रहा है। छोटे छोटे उद्यमियों को अपना काम बंद करना पड़ा है। आटा चक्कियां, वेल्डिंग मशीनें सब बंद हैं, पीने के पानी की व्यवस्था खत्म हो चुकी है क्योंकि वह भी बिजली पर आधारित है। अस्पतालों में आपरेशन तक नहीं हो पा रहे हैं क्योंकि वहां पर बिजली नहीं मिल पा रही है। सरकार यह कहती है कि हम सिंचाई के लिए बिजली दे रहे है इसलिए शहरों में बिजली बंद है। लेकिन गांवों की हालत शहरों से भी बदतर है। पिछले एक महीने से सिंचाई के लिए गांवों में बिजली नहीं जा रही है। कई गांव ऐसे हैं जहां दो दो महीने तक बिजली नहीं पहुंची है। जहां बिजली पहुंची है वहां दिन में दो घंटे भी बिजली नहीं रहती है। पलेवा नहीं हो पा रहा है जिसकी वजह से बोनी नहीं हो पा रही है और इसके कारण से खेती भी प्रभावित हो रही है और इस तरह से नगरों और गांवों में दोनों जगह बिजली का बहुत बड़ा संकट हो गया है...(समय की घंटी) में दो मिनट और लूंगा।

उपसभाध्यक्ष (श्री सतीश अग्रवाल): नहीं, दो मिनट नहीं। आपकी चीज रिकार्ड पर आ गयी है। इतना ही काफी है।

श्री राघवजी: इसके लिए पूर्व मुख्य मंत्री ने भी तीन दिन के लिए धरना दिया है। कांग्रेस के एक मुख्य मंत्री ने एक आरोप लगाया है कि यह सब कुप्रबंध के कारण है और जानबूझकर जो 22 परियोजनाएं बहुराष्ट्रीय कम्पनियों की हैं उनको लाने की कोशिश की जा रही है। उनको वैलिड ठहराने के लिए उनका काज मजबूत करने के लिए वर्तमान व्यवस्था अस्त व्यस्त की जा रही है। इसके कारण बिजली संकट पैदा हुआ है। इसलिए मैं केन्द्र सरकार से अपील करना चाहता हूं कि केन्द्र शासन जल्दी से जल्दी इसमें हस्तक्षेप करें ताकि मध्य प्रदेश की स्थिति को नियंत्रित किया जा सके और मध्य प्रदेश को विद्युत प्राप्त हो सके।

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SATISH AGARWAL): Now, we take up the Private members' business, but before we do that, I would request

Mrs. Margaret Alva to announce the Business. Mrs. Alva, you were not present when your name was called in the morning.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): In the morning, Sir, I was asked to come at 2 o'clock to present it. So, I was here from 2 o'clock.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SATISH AGARWAL): Okay.

ANNOUNCEMENT RE. GOVERNMENT BUSINESS FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING FROM 4TH DECEMBER, 1995

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): With your permission, Sir, I rise to announce that Government Business during the week commencing 4th December, 1995 will consist of:

1. Discussion on the Resolutions seeking disapproval of the following Ordinances and consideration & passing of the Bills replacing these Ordinances:
   (a) The Industrial Disputes (Amendment) Ordinance, 1995.
   (b) The Employees' Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions (Amendment) Ordinance, 1995.
2. Discussion on the Resolution seeking approval of the President's Rule in the State of Uttar Pradesh.
3. Discussion on the Resolution seeking approval of the Depositories Ordinance, 1995 and consideration & passing of the Depositories Bill, 1995 as passed by Lok Sabha.
4. Consideration and return of the Appropriation (No. 5) Bill, 1995, as passed by Lok Sabha.
5. Consideration and passing of the Representation of People (Amendment) Bill, 1995, as passed by Lok Sabha.
6. Discussion on the Resolution seeking disapproval of the Building and other Construction Workers' (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Ordinance, 1995 and Consideration and passing of the Building and other Construction Workers' (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Bill, 1995 as passed by Lok Sabha.
7. Discussion on the Resolution seeking disapproval of the Building and other Construction Workers' Welfare Cess Ordinance, 1995 and consideration and return of the Building & other Construction Workers' Welfare Cess Bill, 1995 as passed by Lok Sabha.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SATISH AGARWAL): Now, we take up the Private Members' *Business.*

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS

The Abolition of Child Labour in Hazardous Employment Bill, 1995

SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR (Gujarat): Sir, I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill to abolish employment of children, bonded for otherwise, in hazardous employment.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Sir, I introduce the Bill.

THE BANKING COMPANIES (TAKING OVER OF MANAGEMENT) BILL, 1995.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA (West Bengal): Sir, I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the taking over of management of the undertakings of the Banking Companies specified in the Schedule for a limited period with a view to securing their proper management so as to subserve the public interest and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

The question was put and the motion was adopted